



The contentes of this boke besyde the
assise of breadde and ale.

Consyste of fo:stallers and fo:stallynge.

Of regratours and regratynge.

Of vitayles and vitaylours.

Of weyghtes and measures. And howe moche
vessels of wyne, oyle, bonye, yelco, Salmon, and
bearrynge shall holde and conteyne.

Of pourueyours, byers, and takers of vitay-
les and other thynges.

Of the statute of wynechester and dyuers other
statutes concernynge the same.



The cyle of breadde and ale.



I Was enacted anno

li. Henrici. ij. that whanne
the quarter of whete is solde
for. xij. d. than the fartbynge
wastell losse shal weye. vi. li.
xvi. s. And the fartbynge
losse Lokette of the same
corne, and of the same bultell

shal wey more than the wastell by. ij. s. And the far
thyng losse cokette of corne of lesse price, shal wey
more than the wastelle by. v. s. The fartbyng sym
nell shal wey. ii. s. lesse than the wastelle. The far
thyng losse of clene wheate shal wey the coket & an
halfe: that is to say, the cokette that weyeth. v. s.
more than the wastell. The fartbyng losse of treite
shal wey. ii. wastelles. And the fartbynge losse of
comon sort of corn shal wey two greater cokettes.
whā the quarter of whete is solde for. xviii. d. than
the fartbig wastell losse shal wey. iiii. li. x. s. viii. d.
whan the quarter of wheate is solde for. ii. s. than
the fartbyng wastell losse shal wey. iiii. li. viii. s.
whan it is solde for. ii. s. vi. d. than the losse shal
wey. liiii. s. iiii. d. ob. q.
whan it is solde for. iii. s. than it shal wey. xlviii. s.
whan the quarter of wheate is solde for. iii. s. vi. d.
than it shal wey. xlii. s.
whan it is solde for. iiii. s. thā it shal wey. xxxvi. s.
whan it is solde for. iiii. s. vi. d. than the fartbyng
losse shal wey. xxx. s.

Al. ij. whan

whan the quarter of wheate is solde for .v.s. than
 bit sball weye .xxviii.s. ii.d.ob.
 whan it is solde for .v.s. vi. d. than the fartyng
 losse sball weye .xxiii.s. viii.d.q.
 whan the quarter of wheate is solde for .vi.s. than
 bit sball weye .xxii.s. viii.d.
 whan bit is solde for .vi.s. vi.d. than the fartyng
 losse sball weye .xix.s. xi.d.
 whan the quarter of wheate is solde for .vii.s. tha
 bit sball weye .xix.s. i.d.
 whan it is solde for .vii.s. vi.d. than the fartyng
 losse sball weye .xviii.s. i.ob.
 whan it is solde for .viii.s. than it sball weye .xvii.s.
 whan the quarter of whete is solde for .viii.s. vi.d.
 than bit sball wey .xvi.s.
 whan it is solde for .ix. s. than the fartyng losse
 sball weye .xv.s. q.
 whan the quarter of wheate is solde for .ix.s. vi.d.
 than bit sball weye .xiiii.s. iiii.d.ob.q.
 whan bit is solde for .x.s. than the fartyng losse
 sball weye .xiii.s. vii.d.ob.
 whan the quarter of wheat is solde for .x.s. vi. d.
 than bit sball weye .xii.s. xi.d.q.
 whan bit is solde for .xi.s. than the fartyng losse
 sball weye .xii.s. iiii.d.q.
 whan the quarter of wheat is solde for .xi. s. vi.d.
 than bit sball weye .xi.s. x.d.
 whan it is solde for .xii. s. than the fartyng losse
 sball weye .xi.s. vi.d.
 whan the quarter of wheate is solde for .xii.s. vi.d.
 than it sball weye .ix.s. ix.d.ob.q.

And

And ye shall vnderstande that the baker (as hit
hath bene proued by the baker of our souerayne
lorde the kyng) may gayne on euerye quarter of
wheate. iiii. d. and his branne, and .ij. lous for
furnage, for. iii. seruantes. i. d. ob. for. ii. boyes
q. for salte. ob. for costo. ob. for candell. q. for wodde
iii. d. for bultell ob. allowed.

whan the quarter of whete is solde. for. iii. s. or
for. iii. s. iiii. d. and barley for. x. d. or for. ii. s. and
ootes for. viiii. d. than the brewers in cities maye
selle. ii. galons of good ale for. i. d. and in the bo-
roughes. iii. gallons for. i. d. And withoute, they
ought to selle. iiii. for. i. d. and so they maye welle.
And wytted wel, that this cyse runneth throughe
all Englande by the commaundement of our soue-
rayne lorde the kyng. And this is the cyse of bread
and ale, accordyng as it is conteyned in the wy-
tynges of the Marfalshe of our souerayn lorde the
kyng, after the price of the beste wheate, the se-
conde, and thyrde sorte. And as welle the wastelle
as other bread, of what sorte so euer they be, shall
weye after the price of meane wheate.

And this cyse of breadought nat to be chaunged,
but whan the quarter of wheate ryseth or falletb
vi. d. in the price. And euery baker ought to haue
his propre marke on euery sorte of bread. &c.

And that no brewer reyse nor fall a fartbyng in
the gallon, but whan the quarter of malte ryseth
or falletb. xii. d. in the price.

And they that breake the cyse of breadde or ale,
shalbe amerced for the fyrst, the seconde, & thyrde
A.ij. tyme

tyme. And the fourthe tyme; the baker shall haue the iudgement of the pyllorye, and the brewer of the Tumbelle.

If there be any that by false meanes vseth to sell meale, for the fyrste tyme he shall be greuously punysshed, the seconde tyme he shall lose his meale, the thyrde tyme he shall haue the iudgement of the pillory: The fourthe tyme he shall forswere the towne. &c. And so likewise the bakers that offend.

Also bouchers that selle meselle porke or mozyn flesshe, for the fyrste tyme they shall be greuously amerced: for the seconde tyme so offendynge, they shall haue the iudgement of the pyllory: for the thirde tyme they shall be committed to prison, and be ransomed: And the fourth tyme they shall forswere the towne. And thus oughte other transgressours to be punysshed: as cookes, forstallers, and regratours of the market. whan the cookes sithe, roste, bake, or any otherwyse dreffe fysh or flesshe vnto bolosome for mans body.

Of forstallers & forstallynge.

Ad ye shall vnderstande/that a forstaller is he, that lyeth by the waye, as vitayle or corne cometh to the markette, and byeth hit, to the intent to make the vitayle or corne derer in the markette, in hurte and p̄iudice of the kynges people. And hit was enacted, anno. ry. E. iii. the iii. chapter, and confyrmmed the. ij. yere of R. the ij. the. ij chapter, that vitayle and corne forstalled shulde

shulde be forsayted to the kyng, and if it be solde, the kyng oughte to haue the value thereof, and if the offendour haue nat where with to paye, he shal be commytted to prison, there to remayn the space of. ii. yere or longer at the kynges pleasure, without lettynge to baylle, or otherwysse to be deliuered. And if the forstaller be atteynted at the sute of the partye, than the partye shal haue the halfe of the thyng that is forstalled and forsayted, and the kyng the other halfe.

It was also enacted, by statute of the staple, anno. xxvij. E.iii. ca.xi. that no man shulde go by water nor lande to forstall wyne nor other marchandise, before they come to the staple or other porte where they shulde be discharged, nor entre within the shippes for that entente before the marchandise were layde on lande, on peyne of their lyfe and forsayt of theyr landes to the lorde. But the peine of lyfe and forsayture of landes and tenementes was repelled, anno. xxxvij. eiusdem regis, ca. xvi.

Of regratours and regratyng.

And bycause I spake of regratours, wytteth well that a regratour is he, that byeth come or vytayle brought to the market at his owne price, and selleth it agayne derer in the market, in hurt of the kynges people. whiche thyng so regrated is forsayted, and if it be solde the value thereof is forsayted &c. Nowe bicause it so cometh to passe, I wyll speake somewhat of vytayle & vitaylours.

Of

Of vitayle and vitayllours.



I Was defended by the statute of yorke, anno .xii. Ed. ii. that no mynister in cyte, or borowe, whiche by reason of his office ought to se the cuse of wyne and vy-
tayle kepte, shulde beyng in offyce / marchaunte wyne
or vytayles in grosse or at retayle, on peyne to for-
sayte the same. / But oure mooste gracious soue-
rayne, kyng Henry the .viii. the .iii. yere of his
mooste nobull reygne, in his perlyament holden at
westmystre, the .iiii. daye of February, hath repel-
led the same statute, & enacted by authorite of the
same parlyament, for many bygge considerations,
that whan any vytayler is chosen to beare office in
any citie, towne, or borowe corporate, whiche for
the tyme beinge in office, shuld haue the assisynge
& correction for vitayle, that than. ij. discrete & ho-
nest men of the same cite, towne, or borowe corpo-
rate, neither of both beyng a vitayler, shal be cho-
sen by the comynaltie, lyke wyse as the sayd officer
is, whiche. ij. or one, the other beyng absent, with
the sayd officer shal set the cuse & prices of vitay-
les, for the tyme the sayde vitayler shal abyde in
his sayde office. And after the prices and cuses so
sette, it is lefull for the sayde officers, to marchant
and sell wyne and all other vytayles in grosse, or
at retayle, withoute any forsaytinge.

Also hit was enacted the. xxiij. yere of Edward
the

the thyrde, the fyrte chapter, that bouchers, fysshmongers, inholders, brewers, bakers, poulters, & all other syllers of what so euer vitayles, shulde sylle for reasonable price, respecte had to the farre or nere cariage of the same vitayles, and be that dothe otherwyse, and is conuicte therof, shal pay the double that be receiued to the parti damaged, or in his defaut, to who that wil sue in this behalf.

And the mayres, and baillyes of cities, townes, borowghes, portis, and other places, haue power to enquire of the premysse, and to leuie the foresayde penaltie to their vse, at whose sute the transgressours were conuicte. And in case the mayres and baylysses be conuicte before the kynges Justices, as negligente in executynge of the premysse, they shalbe compelled by the same iustices, to pay thries the worth of the thing solde to hym, that is dammaged, or els in his defaute, to an other that sueth. And yet farther, they shal be punysshed at the kynges pleasure.

It was also enacted, anno xxxi. E. iij. ca. x. that who that bryngeth vitayles to London, either o y lande or water, maye frely sylle the same to whom be wylle, without distourbance of fysshmonger, boucher, pulter, or other. And that the mayre and aldermen shuld redresse the defautes of fysshmongers, bouchers, and pulters, lyke wyse as of them that sylle palled wyne or ale: nat withstandynge chartre of libertie, customes, or other pryuyleges, made or vsed to the contrarye: on peyne of. M. marke for the fyrste defaute: for the seconde. ij. M.

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and for the thyrde defaute to lose theyr franchise.

It was enacted anno .vi. R.ii. cap. ix. that vitaylers in no cite nor towne through Englande shulde occupie the office of a iudge/ excepte for lacke of o-ther sufficiente: and than while he is in that office of a iuge, he nor none of his shal sylle no vitayles on peyne of forsayture therof.

And the .vii. yere of the sayd kyng .R.ca.xi. the statutes made the .v. and .vi. yere of his reygne, touchynge syllemongers/ vinteners, and other vitaylers of London, are repelle d.

It was also enacted, anno .xiii. R.ii. ca. viii. that Justices of the peace in euery shere at theyr cessyons holden betwene Ester and Michaclmas, shal do proclayme by theyr discretions, accordynge to the vertbe of vitayles, what a mason, a carpenter, a tyler, and also laborers / as well in Auguste as o-ther tymes of the yere shal take by the daye, with and without meate and drynke. And that euerye parson obeye this proclamation. And vitaylers to haue reasonable gayne, after the discretion of the sayde Justices of peace.

It is also straytely defended, anno .vii. R.ca. xv. that no person, alien, denizin, nor other, cary vitayles, nor do to be conueyed, in to any parties of Scotlande out of Englande, by lande or see, on peyne to forsayte the same vitayles, or other thyn- ges of reliefe, with the shyppes/ vessels, cartes, or horses that carye them, excepte the kyng geue speciall lycence to the contrarie. And be that spietb this, to haue the thiide parte of the forsayte. But
Berwick

Berwycke is excepted oute of this statute by acte made anno.xv.R.ca.vii.

It is enacted, anno i.D.iiii.ca.xvii.that the statute made, anno .vi.R.ii.bowe foreyne and alyens nat beinge the kynges ennemies, bringynge sylle be or any other vitayles to any cyte or towne within Englande, franchesed or nat franchesed / mygbte frelye sylle the same by great or at retayle at theyr pleasure / withoute any let or gayne sayenge, shuld be duely obserued and put in execution. And also agayne, anno .xiiii.s.vi.ca.vi. the same is confyrmed, and there vnto added / that if any distourbe foreyne or alyen to sylle theyr sylle be contrarye to these ordinances, and therof is duely atteynted at the kynges or at the parties sute, he shal forsayte xl.li. And he that wyll sue for the kyng / or for him selfe, shal haue the one halfe, & the king the other.

Cof weyghtes and measures.



It is ordeined / anno.li. D. iii. that an engliss sterling peny, roude without clipinge, shal wey. xxxii. wheate cornes drye, taken out in the myddes of the eare: And .xx.v. make an ynce: and .xii. ynces make a li. and. viii. li. make a gallon of wyne: and. viii. gallons of wyne wake a London buss belle, whiche is the. viii. parte of a quarter. And the same yere hit was ordeyned, that the standerdes, buss bels, gallos

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and

and yerdes shulde be sealed with the kynges yron
scale/ and safelye kepte on payne of an . L. li. And
that no measure be made in a towne, excepte hit a-
gree with the measure of our souerayne lord the
kyng, and sealedde with the common scale of the
townes hypppe. And if any man bye or syll by mea-
sures not sealed and examined by the meyre or bai-
lyffes, he shall be greuouflye amerced. And by the
statute made the . xi. yere of Henry the . vii. the . iiii.
chap. all weyghtes and measures bothe great and
smalle of euery cyte, borowgh, and market towne,
shulde be dilygentlye sene and examyned twyse in
the yere: and oftener if nede be, by the mayres,
bayllyes, and other beed officers.

And if any man be conuicted to vse . ii. measures,
to bye by the more and syll by the lesse, he shall as
a false disceyuer, be put in pryson, and greuouflye
punysshed. The standerde, buss bels, galons, and
yardes, shall remayne in the custody of the maire,
or baylyes, and . vi. honest men of the towne sworne,
before whom al measures shall be sealed. And that
no maner grayne be solde by beape or cantell / ex-
cepte ootes, malte, and meale.

And by the statute made anno . xi. D. vii. cap. iiii.
beed officers of townes maye sygne weyghtes and
measures with an . D . crowned: and take for the
markynge of euery buss bell . i. d. And all weyghtes
and measures founde defectyue vpon examyna-
tion, shall immediatly be bourned: and the trespa-
sour to forfayte for the fyyste tyme . vi. s. viii. d. the
seconde tyme . xiii. s. iiii. d. the thyrde tyme . xx. s.
to the

to the mayre, bayly / or other hauynge iurisdiction
there: and for farder punysshement to be sette v-
pon the pillorye.

And by the statute made anno.xij. D.vii. the bus-
s belle f ball conteyne . viii . galons of wheate: and
euerye galon . viii . pounce of wheate: and euerye
pounce . xii . vnces, and all Troy weyghte.

It was enacted, anno.xiiii. E.iii. cap. xi. that the
Treasorer of Englande shulde make standerdes of
busse bels, gallons / & weyghtes, and send them in
to euery shire: and to assygne .ii. in euery shire to
here / determyne, and punyssh be suche as sylle by
other measures: and for there expenses they shal
haue the fourthe parte of the synes leuied in su-
che cases. And that none sylle by buss bell nat sea-
led with the kynges seale. Nat withstandinge this
acte the clerke of the market shal nat let to do his
offyce: Nor lordes lose theyr franchises.

The weyghte of woulle shal be according to the
standerde of the eschequer anno . xvj . E.iii. cap.iiii.

And hit is defended by statute of the staple made
anno . xxvii . E.iii. cap. x. that none weye any mar-
chandysse with false weyghtes, on peyne to forsaite
to the kyng the value of that that is solde, and
treble damages to the partie: And Justices assy-
ned haue power to enquire therof as welle at the
kinges as the the parties sute: and to do execution.

And anno . xxxi . E.iii. cap. ii. hit is ordeyned that
certeyne balances and weyghtes of sacke, vi. sacke.
ii. and quarter / accordynge to the standerde of the
eschequer shulde be sente ynto all shereffes of En-

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glande,

glande, and that ech shulde proue they: weyghtes without any thyng gyuinge to the sheriffe. And that none bye nor sylle by other measure, on peyne to be at the kynges pleasure. And the same yere the.v. chap. the weyght called Ancell was cleene fordone.

And the.xxxiii.yere.the.vi. chap. it was ordeyned, that the bussel, pecke, gallon, pottell, quarte throughe all Englande within franchises and without, shulde be accordynge to the kynges standerde.

And the.xiii.yere of .R.the.ii.cap.ix. hit was ordeyned that one measure and one weyghte shulde be ysed throughe all Englande, excepte Lancastre shere, bycause a greater measure hath alway ben ysed there than in any other parte of the realme. And he that is conuicted for vsynge false weyghtes or measures, shall haue halfe yeres prisonement, and gree with the partie to the double of his losse. And the acte made the.xv. yere of the same kyng R. cap.iiii. wyll that none on peyne of forsayture thereof, bye more for the quarter, than .viii. bussels stricken in London or els where. And the.xvi. yere of the sayde .R. And the.xi. yere of .D. the.vi. rente seruyce due to lordes is excepted, which shall be measured, as it hath bene ysed. And by the statute made anno .xi. D.vii.ca.iiii. no man is prebyted to bye within the shyppe bourde by water measure: whiche water measure shall conteyne .v. peckes accordynge to the standerde, raised and stryked. And also it is provided, that the actes of weightes and measures shall nat extende nor be hurtfull to
Corneye

Cornewall and Deuonsbere.

It is enacted anno.i.D.v.cap.vii.and conformed
the.xi.yere of D.the.vi.cap.viii.that all statutes
touchynge measures shulde fyrmelye be obserued
and kepte: and no purueiour for the kyng to bye
corne but by measure stryken, and .viii. buss hels
to the quarter/ and pay for the cariage of the same
forth with. And as ofte as any purueiour or other
person shall be atteynted to bye or puruey corne o-
ther wyse, to haue a bolle yeres prisonement, and
paye .L.s. to the kyng, and .L.s. to the partye
grieved. And the mayre of London to be sworne in
the csheker/ to execute the statutes of weyghtes
and measures. And lyke wise all other mayres and
bayliffes to be sworne, whan they take theyr char-
ges. And as well they as Justices of the peace
haue power to put the same in execution, as well
at the kynges as the parties sute.

And accordynge as it is enacted anno.viii.D.vi.
cap.v. that euery cyte on peyne of .x.li euery bo-
rowe on peyne of .L.s. and euery village, where
a constable is on peyne of .xl.s. shulde haue a com-
mon balance, with weyghtes accordynge to the
standerde: and all thynbabitantes of the same tow-
nes frelye to weye without any thyng gyyng: and
fozeyns to paye for euery draughte of weyght
xl.li. q. and for euery draught betwene .xl.li. and
L.li.ob. and for euery draught betwene .L.li. and
W.li.i. d. So lyke wyse it is ordeyned by his pre-
sente statute, that vpon lyke peyne euery towne, bo-
rowgbe, and village shall haue a common buss bell
sealed,

sealed accordynge to the standerde, and nothyng
to be taken for measuryng of come. And that Ju-
styces of peace, mayres, bayliffes, and stewardes
of franchises, aue power to examyn trespassours in
the premisses: and them to punyssh be vpon exami-
natio or enquest. But the .xi. yere of Henry the .vij.
the fourth chaptre, hit was prouided that the pe-
naltie conteyned in the statutes for none hauyng of
weyghtes and measures sealed, shall nat extende
to any towne, that is nat a citie or a market towne.

It is also enacted the fourth yere of our most gra-
tious souerayne, Henry the .viij. the .vij. chapter,
that who that vseth to bye or syll pewter or brasse,
and vseth false beame or weygbte, shall forsayt. xx.
s. the one halfe to the kyng, and the other halfe
to hym that wyll sue: in whiche action protection
nor essoen lyeth nat. And the partie shall forsayte
his beame to hym that wyll seyse hit. And if the
party be nat able to pay the some that is forfayted,
than the mayres, bayliffes, or other beed officers
of the place where he is foude, shall put hym in the
stockes tyll the nexte market day, and than to be on
the pyllorie all the market tyme.

The statute made anno. xvij. E. iiij. ca. iiij. wyll,
that tyles shuld be well blanchet and anuled, and
the tyle erth to be dygged and caste before the fyrst
daye of Novembre: and that the same erthe be
styre and turned before the fyrste daye of Febru-
arye, than nexte ensuyng, and nat wrought before
the fyrst day of Marche nexte folowyng, and that
therth be well tryed er hit be wrought. And euery
playne

playne tyle conteyneth. x. ynches and an halfe in lengthe, and. vi. and a quarter in breade, and. iij. quarters of an ynche in thyckenes. And euerye roffe or crest tyle to conteyne in length. xiii. ynches, and. iii. quarters of an ynche in thyckenes with conuenient depenes. And euerye gutter or couerte tyle to conteyne in length. x. ynches and a halfe. And who that sylletb any tyle nat accordynge to this ordynaunce, shall forsayt to the byer the double value, and make fyne and ransome to the kyng, and be that wyll sue shall haue suche proces as is vsed in action of dette at the comon lawe: in whiche action protection nor essoen lyeth nat. And Justices of the peace haue power to enquire hereof. And by due insourmation to cesse for euerye. D. playne tyle, sette to sale contrary to this ordynace v. s. and for euery. L. roffe tyle. vi. s. viii. d. and for euery. L. corner or gutter tyle. ii. s. And the. ii. sercbours of tyles maye presente the defautes before Justices of peace, and that presentement is as stronge as of. xij. men.

It is ordeyned, that. iii. barlye cornes, drye and rounde, make an ynche: and. xii. ynches make a fote: and. iii. fote make a yerde: and. v. yerdes and a halfe make a perche: and. xl. perches in lengthe and. liii. in breade make an acre.

But appereth in the treatise *De compositione pond.* that thurtye formels make a carre of leade: and syxe stone saue. ii. pounce make a formell: and. xii. pounce make a stone: and. xxv. s. in weyghte maketh one pounce. Some saye, that. xii. weyes after

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Troy weyght, make a carre of leade. The weye,
as well of leade as of flacce, salte, oynions, and
chese i hall wey. xiiii. stone: and. ii. weyes of wolle
make a sacke: and. x. sackes make a laste.

And it was enacted the. xiiii. yere of E. the thirde,
the thyrde chapter, and anno. xi. D. vii. the fourth
chapter, that the sacke of wolle shulde wey. xxvi.
stone: and euery stone fourtene pounce.

And hit was defended the. xiii. yere of R. the se-
conde the. ix. chaptre, that no marchant nor other
shulde bye wolle by those wordes, good packyng.

The laste of bearrynge conteyneth. x. thousande
and euery thousande. x. hundred: and euery hun-
dred syxe tymes. xx.

xx. dyckers make a last of leather: and. x. bydes
make a dycker. And. x. peyre of gloues make a dic-
ker. And. x. boise i bowes make a dycker. But. xii.
peyre of gloues make a dosen: and. xij. skyns of
parchement make a dosen.

Also the hundred of waxe, fyfthe, almons, and a
lome conteyneth. xii. stone and a balfe: and euery
stone. viii. pounce, and the hundred is syxe tymes
xx. and the poude. xxv. s. And wytteth, that. xx. s.
weyghte of pence maketh a pounce in confections
of spices, as in weyeng of lectuaries: but the poude
of all other thynges i hall wey. xxv. s. Also in lec-
tuarie confections the pounce conteineth. xii. vnces
and the vnce of this weyght pryseth. xx. d.

The hundred of bourde, canuas, and linnen clo-
the conteyneth an hundred elles and bourde: and
euery hundred conteyneth. vi. tymes. xx. But the
hundred

hundred of yron conteyneth .v. tymes .xx. and the
dosen conteyneth .vi. peeces.

The Garbe of stele conteyneth .xxx. stone.

The Seem of glasse is .xxiii. stone : and euerye
stone syue pounce , and so the Seem conteyneth
syxe tymes .xx. pounce.

X. stikes make a bynde of yeles .xxv. yeles make
a stycke. Thre and thyrty felle make a bynde.

The tymber of Lony skyns and gryffons is .xl.

The Sbeke of sustayne is .xiii. yarde.

The Sbeke of sandell is .x. yarde.

Chowe moche vessels of Wyne

oyle, bony, yeles, salmon, ⁊ bearringe
shall holde and conteyne.



The second yere of Henri

the syxe the .xi. chaptre it was
ordeyned, that the tounne of
wyne shulde conteyne .xii. ty-
mes .xx. and .xii. gallons, the
pype syxe tymes .xx. and syxe
gallons, the tertian, and bog-
ges bed of Gascoyne wyne after the same rate, on
peyne to forsayte the same wyne to the kinge.

And the .xviii. yere of the sayde kynges rayne,
cap. xvii. bit was ordeyned that tounnes, pypes,
tertians, and bogges beedes of wyne, oyle, and
bonye shulde conteyne, the tounne .xii. tymes .xx.
and .xii. gallons : the pype .vi. tymes .xx. and syxe
gallons : the tertian, .iiii. tymes .xx. and .iiii. gal-
lons

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lons: the boggesbeed. iij. tymes .xx. x. iij. gallons.
And that neyther tounne, pype, tertian, nor bog-
gesbeed of wyne, oyle, nor bonye be solde before
they be gauged, on peyne to forsayt the wine, oyle,
or bonye so solde, or the value therof. And what
countrey man so euer be that sylletbe tounne,
pype, tertian, or boggesbeed of wyne, oyle, or bo-
nye, to any of the kynges subiectes for a certayne
pryce, and lacketh of the measure, he shall rebate
so moch to the byer as the lackynge a monteth to/
on peyne to forsaite to the king the value of all the
wyne, oyle, or bonye, solde to the contrary: nat with
standing any pryncy couenaunt or contracte made
or to be made betwene the byer and the syller.

The same is enacted anno. i. R. iii. cap. xiii. And
farther defended, that no person brynge in to this
realme any Butte of moluesey to be solde, excepte
it conteyne .vi. tymes .xx. and .vi. galons: Euerye
barell to conteyne .xxxi. galons and .vi. And the
rounlet. xviij. galons and a halfe.

And anno. iiii. R. ii. cap. i. hit is enacted, that all
wynes, oyle, bonye, vinegre, and all licours shuld
be gauged, on peyne of forfaiture.

It was ordeyned anno. xxii. E. iiii. ca. ii. that no
strange marchant, denizin nor other, shulde sylle
nor put to sale any butte of salmon, except it conti-
ned. lxxx. and. iiii. galons: the barell .xlii. galons:
the halfe barell .xxi. galons well and truelye pac-
ked, on peyne to forsayte for euery butte, barell, and
halfe barell, lackynge of the sayde measure .vi. s.
viii. d. And that no marchaunte beyng ynder the
kinges

kynges obeyfance, ſhulde put to ſale any veſſell of,
ſalmon, excepte hit were well and trulye packed,
the great ſalmon by hit ſelfe withoute medlyng of
grylles or broken bealed ſalmon there with. And
that al grylles ſhuld be packed by them ſelfe alone
on peyne to forſayte for every butte, barell, & halfe
barell. vi. s. viii. d. And that no perſone put bear-
rynge to ſale, by barell, halfe barell or fyrkyn, ex-
cepte the barell conteyne .xxxij. galons, & the halfe
barell & fyrkyn after the ſame rate, on peyne to for-
ſayte and loſe for every barell, halfe barell, & firkin,
lackynge of the ſayd meſure. iii. s. iii. d. And that
the ſame bearryng ſhulde be well & trulye packed,
of one tyme takynge and ſaltynge. And that it be
as well packed in the myddes, as at the endes, on
peyne to forſayte for every barell, halfe barell, and
fyrkin ſorted, couched and packed contrary to this
acte. iii. s. iii. d. And that no marchant nor palyng-
man ſylle nor put to ſale yeles by barell, halfe ba-
rell, or fyrkyn, excepte the barell conteyne. xij. gal-
lons: and the halfe barell and fyrkin after the ſame
rate, on peyne to forſayte for every barell, halfe ba-
rell and fyrkyn, ſo ſautynge of theyr ſayd meſure
x. s. Nor to medell the galbyttyn, ſtoruen, pyllid,
nor red yeles with the good yeles: But the good to
be well and iuſtely packed and ſolde by them ſelfe,
on peyne to forſayte for every barell, halfe barell &
fyrkin, mingled, packed, and put to ſale contrary
to this acte. x. s. And that meyres, baillyſſes, and
other gouernours of cytes, townes, borowgbes,
and other places, haue power to choſe diſcrete and

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experte persons to serebe & gauge all suche vessels.
The same acte and euery thyng therein comprised is confirmed and ratified the .xi. yere of Henry the .vii. cap. xxxiii.

Of purueyours.



Is ordeyned among other thynges conteynedde in Magna Carta, the .xix. chap. that no constable of castell nor his bailye shal take any mans corn or other cataile, that dwel nat in the towne where the castell standeth, excepte he paye forth with, or may haue respyte with good wyll of the syller: And if they dwelle within the sayde towne, to paye within fortye dayes.

And hit is ordeyned the .xxi. chapitre folowinge that no lordes carte, of any person of holy church, of knyghte, or lady, shal be taken by the kynges daylies: Nor no chiefe bayllie nor other, to take any mans horses or cartes to make caryage, excepte he yelde the lyberation of olde ordeyned, that is for .ii. horses and a carte .x. pens a day: for .iii. horses and a carte .xiii. pens a daye.

It was defended .w. l. ca. i. that none shulde take vitayle or carte agaynste the owners wyll, if any dyd, to yelde double damages. And if the partye wolde nat the kyng shulde haue the sute: and the indited shalbe attached and distrayned by grande distress,

distres, that conteyneth one monethes space in the kynges court, owbere hym pleaseth. And if they come nat at the day, they shall be distrayned by o-
ther distresse conteynynge syxe weekes space: and than if they come nat, to be atteynted, and yelde double dammagis to the damaged / at the kynges sute: and make syne with the kyng.

It is prouided. w. i. ca. xxxi. if any take vitayle, or other thynges to the kynges vse, for garryson or castell, and after they haue receyued paymente at the eschequer, warde robe, or other place, wyl nat pay the creditours, but to theyr great damage and sklandre of the kyng withbolde their duetie / that than forthwith the duetie shall be leuied on their landes and goodes (if they haue anye) and paye there with the credytours, with damages / that they had therby, and to be rayned for the trespass. If they haue no landes nor tenementes, to remaine in prison at the kynges pleasure. And hit is also prouyded, if any take parte of the dettes or any other lowaunce of the kynges credytours for paymente of the same dettes / they shall yelde the double, and be greuouflye punysshed at the kynges pleasure.

Also it is prouyded if any being of the court, take moo houses or cartes for the kynges caryage than nedeth: and taketh lowaunce to let them go agayn; he shall be greuouflye chastysed by the marshals. And if it be done oute of the courte by any of the courte or other, he shall yelde treble damages, and haue. pl. dayes imprisonment.

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It is ordeyned, anno. iiii. E. iii. cap. iii. that no pourueyour shulde make price of any thyng, nor take come but by common measure stryken, nor take any thyng, but accordyng to the very value sette by the constables or other good folkes, and paye or the kynge departe the verge. And none to haue pourueyours but the kynge, the quene, and theyr children. Nor the kynges pourueyours to take nothyng, excepte they shewe theyr warantye vnder the kynges greatte seale. And if any take oughte without warantie, and caryeth hit awaye agaynst his wyll that oweth the sayde goodes, to be forthwith arrested by the village where hit is, and commytted to the nexte geale: And if he be atteynted and the quantite of the thyng demaunde, to suffre as a felon.

It was enacted anno. v. E. iii. ca. ii. that constables and. iiii. honeste menne of the village therto sworne, shulde set the price of that that is purueyed for the kynges boue, the quenes, and their childrens. And that in the presence of the constables and prysours, tayles be made betwene the pourueyours and the owners of the thynges taken, and sealed with the pourueyours seales: by whiche tayles gree shal be made with them, of whom the pourueyunce was taken. And if any taker or purueyour for the foresayde houses do otherwyse, to be forthwith arrested by the village where hit is, and commytted to the nexte geale: And if he be atteynted therof, and the quantite of the thyng require, to suffre as a felon. And from henceforth the

the fourme and peyne conteyned in this estatute, to be conteyned in the commissyons of sucbe, taken, and purveyours, whether they be vnder the kynges smalle seale or great seale.

It was prouided anno. xiiii. E. iii. cap. xviii. that pourveyours shulde take nothinge without the syllers agree therto. And marchauntes and other honest men to be deputed by the tresorier to make purueance for the kynges warres, and for castelles and townes in Scotlande, Englande, and other places. And commissions to be sent to the shereffe to make purueance of the issues of his bailiwyke for the kynges houses wher they lye at liuere. And if there be any moo founde, but a boye for euerye horse, and an hackeney for the keper, they shuld be put in prison, there to remayne at the kynges pleasure. And to pay or they departe the verge. And lykewyse the shereffes to be commanded, to make purueaunce for the kynges dogges, of the issues of theyr baillywekes where they dwelle / that the countrey be nat charged with them. If any in this case be greued, he shall haue his recoverye agaynst the shereffe.

It was enacted anno. xiiii. E. iii. ca. i. And anno xviii. E. iii. ca. iiii. p. clero, that goodes and fees of holy church shuld be forpysed out of purveyours commissyons, in what place so euer they be founde.

It was enacted, anno. xxy. E. iii. ca. i. that pourveyours commissyons shulde nat be obeyed, excepte they were vnder the kynges greatte seale, or smalle seale, and conteyne the peyne of the same

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statute, as is before sayde, anno. v. E. iii. And the same yere. ca. vi. hit was ordeyned, that no pourueyour, that purueyeth wodde and tymber for the kynges busynes, shulde cutte downe the trees that grewe in or about any mans house, on peyne to pay treble damages to the partie greued, a yere imprisonment, and to forgo his office.

The same yere the. xv. chaptre it was ordeyned, that no pourueyour shulde take mo shepe before the sberyng tyme, but as wyll reasonably suffice tyll sberyng tyme: and after sberyng tyme to take none but shorne, as many as shal suffice for the tyme to come. And be that dothe otherwyse, and is therof atteynted at the kynges or the parties sute, to be done with as a thefe or a robber. And this peyne to be conteyned in euery comission of sucbe pourueyours.

It is ordeyned the. xxviii. yere of the same kyng E. ca. xii. that purueyours shulde paye forth with for purueyance taken vnder the some of. xx. s. and for purueyances made to the value of. xx. s. and above to paye within a quarter of a yere after the purueyance made, at a certayne daye and place for mooste ease and trauayle of the people.

The acte made anno. xxxiii. E. iii. ca. iii. wyllerb, that purueyours for pultry, and other small thynges shulde paye in bande, and for great purueyances within a moneth or. vi. wekes after.

It is ordeyned anno. xxxvi. E. iii. ca. ii. that onely the kyng and the quene shal haue takers, and to pay for what vitayles as they take in hâde, as the price

price of the markette is: and if they can nat so accorde, the purueyance to be rated, by the bailiffes, constables, and .iiii. honest men: and that they take in conuenient wyse: and nat more than shal suffice the .ii. housholdes. And the beynous name of purueiours to be changed and called byers: and the same byers to be sufficient to answer to the kyng and the people: and none of them to haue a deputie: and eche commissyon to be sealed with the great seale, and euery balse yere restored in to the chancery and newe made, conteynynge all the matter and maner of theyr takynges and byenges: and no byers saue the kynges and the quenes to be obeyed: nor theyr, withoute they paye as is afore sayde. And to take all maner grayne by measure stryken accordynge to the standerde. And for caryage therof to pay in bande, and to take no more than shal suffice for the caryage: no byer nor taker of caryage to do contrarye on payne of his lyfe.

And in the .iii. chap. folowynge hit is defended, that no byer of vitayles, nor taker of caryage take no gyste nor other good tourne to spare any man, nor charge nor greue any with suche takynges, byenges, and caryages, through hate, enuy, or yll wyll: on payne to yelde treble damages, and ii. yerres imprisonment, and farter to be punished at the kynges pleasure: and after forswere the courte. And if the partie wyll nat, who so euer wyll sue for the kyng shal haue the thyrde peny recovered for his traugyle: And yet neuer the lesse the byer & taker shal haue the payne in the article

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as for layde. And every byer to be clare feuerally in
his accompte all takynge and byenges of euerye
shere, towne, village, and person.

And it is ordeyned the.iii.chap. folowynge, that
commyslyons shulde be made and sende downe in
to euery shere to enquire of the sayd byers and ta-
kers domestour. And if hit be evidently proved,
that they toke more than came to the vse of the.ii.
forsaide householdes, or paide nat for all that they
toke, they shall haue iugement of lyfe and mem-
bre. And this ordynance extendeth as well to the
purueours for the great houses of both the forsaide
householdes, as to the forsaide byers and takers.

And it is defended on lyke peyne the.v.chap. fo-
lowynge, that none of the kynges or the quenes
house, of what estate so euer be be, shall haue a
purueour, nor take no thyng, but with the good
wyll of the fyller, and paye therfore for the with.

And hunters, faukners, and serantes of armes
and other officers perteynyng to the sayde house-
holdes to haue lyke peyne, if they offende.

It is ordeyned anno .i. R.ii.ca.iii. that prelates
and clerkes greued by purueours, shall recouer
treble damage by action of trespass.

It is defended the.xx.yere of R.the.ii.ca.v. that
none take horse or beaste of any mans withoute be
haue sufficient autorite of the kyng, if any do,
to be taken and layde in prison, there to remayne,
tyll be haue agreed with the partye.

It is ordeyned anno .i.H.vi.ca.ii. that all statu-
tes and ordynances, made for purueours and nat
repelled

repelled shulde be kepte and executed in all poyntes, and euery sheriffe of the realme of Englande, to cause them .iiii. tymes in the yere to be proclaymed through his bayllyewyke, on peyne to paye a .l.s. to the kyng for every tyme that he fauleth. And the commaundement from the kyng to hym sent, to deliuer to his successoure by endenture betwene them made: who shall on lyke peyne make lyke proclamation.

And also where it was enacted anno.ii. D.iiii.ca. xiiii. that no purueyours on peyne to lose his offyce, & paye as moche to the partie greued, shuld take any purueyance for the kynges house, to the value of .xl.s. and within, excepte be payde forth with: it is ordeyned anno.ii. D.vi.ca.viii. that if any purueyours, byer, or taker dyd other wyse, it shuld be helful for any the kynges subiectes to resyst them, & in no wyse suffre them to make suche purueyances: & the constables/tythingman, & chiefe pledge of villages to be assysting to the possessor or syller of suche thynges, if they be requyred thereto, on peyne to yelde the value of the thynges taken, to the partie greued. And that no officer of the kynges, on peyne to lose .xx.li. halfe to the kyng, and halfe to hym that wyll sue, cause to arrest, yere, or emplede any of the kynges subiectes, in any of the kynges courtes, for suche retyninges. And Justices of peace in euery shere haue power to enquire; here, and determyne any thyng done agaynst this acte, as well at the kynges sute as others, and do due punisshement and execution, and awarde dama

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ges to the partye playntife, if the defendaunt be
duely conuicte: and the defendand shall answer
withoute ayde of the kyng. And in sucbe actions
proces to be made as in wrytte of trespas agaynst
the peace. And this ordynance to be expessed in
pourueyours commysstions. And this ordynance
amonge other statutes of pourueyours, byers, &
takers, to be sente downe in to euerye shere of En-
glande/ to be proclaymed by the shereffes.

It is ordeined anno. xxiij. v. vi. ca. ii. that the acte
touchynge pourueyours, made anno. xxvi. l. iii.
shulde be duely kepte and put in execution: and o-
uer that, that euery purueour and byer (before
they had theyr commysstions) shulde be sworne in
the Chancerye: to take notbynge contrarye to the
ordynances made the forsayde yere. And farther
hit is ordeyned, bycause the poure people be nat a-
ble, nor darre nat resist nor sue at the lawe the sayd
purueyours and byers, that the prisours, the vil-
lage, and all the villages adioynnyng/ shall do their
deuoirs to resiste the byers and purueyours, that
do contrarye to the statutes, and in all that they
may to execute the forsayde statutes agaynst the
purueyours, if they be required. And be that is
greued, may chose whetber he wyll take an action
of dette agaynst the prisours, the village, or vil-
lages, and either of them, that do nat theyr deuoir
whan they are required, to resiste (in fourme afore
sayde) the purueyours or byers: or els agaynst the
sayde purueyours and byers, and either of them:
to recouer the value of his goodes so taken: and
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ouer that his costes & damages treble. Nor that no purueyour, nor other offyccer of the kynges in no maner wyse trouble nor vex in any of the kynges courtes, any of the kynges subiectes, for executyng of the forsayde ordynances/ on payne to paye xx.li. to the partie greued aboue his costes and damages susteyned in that behalf. And that here vpon he shall haue a wryt of dette. And every issue triable in this actiō shal be tried in the shyre/ wher the goodes were taken.

And the sergeant of the Chabery shal satisfy all damages, dettes, and executions/ recovered agaynst any purueyour or hyer vnder hym, in case the purueyour or hyer be nat sufficiente. And in this case the partie plaintyfe shall haue Scire fac. to haue execution agaynst the sayde sergante. And these ordynaunces and statutes to be sente to Justices of peace, in to every shire to be proclaimed every yere and the people enfourmed.

And it is defended the. xiiii. chap. folowynge that no bier or other officer of any lord or other estate, excepte the kynges and the quenes, presume to take vitayle, corne, baye, cariage, or any other thyng of any of the kynges subiectes agaynst their wylles, if they do, to be arrested by the maire, shireffe, bayly, constable, or other officer of the place where it is, and put in prison, there to remayne without baylle or maynprie/ tylle the tyme they haue yelded agayne all the sayde vitayles, cariages, and other thynges taken, or the value therof.

And if the sayde mayre, shireffe, bayllyes, constables,

stables, and other officers before named do the contrary, that than they shall forsayte. xx. li. the one halfe to the kyng, and the other halfe to the party, of whom suche thynges were taken; if he wyll sue for hit by action of dette, in whiche sute the defendant shall nat wage his lawe. But in case the party wyll nat sue, than who that wyll sue for the kyng and hym selfe, shall haue the one halfe of that that is recovered. And if the defendant be dulye conuicte, he shall yelde the treble value of that that is taken to the partie that sueth, with double costis, and to make fyne and ransome to the kyng. And in all suche actions and sutes, there shall no protection for the defendant be allowed.

It is also ordeyned the .xxviii. yere of Henry the sixte, the seconde chaptre, that all letters patentee or grauntes that are made or to be made vnto any persone or persones holdyng hostries, brewhous, or house of retayle of vitayles; to be purveyours for terme of their lyues, shall be voyde and of no value or effecte. And that no persone or persones, shall take horse or carte, excepte he agree with the owner thereof: and be to hym deliuered by the mayre, shireffe, baillyffe, or constable, where as suche takynges is. And that he or they that synde hym or them selfe greued contrarye to this ordeynance, shall recover treble damages by action of trespass at the common lawe: The kynges prerogatyue and prebeminence, of and in the prentys, is alwaye saved.

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Of the statute of Wynchester and
 dyuers other statutes concer-
 nyng the same.



En to auoyde robberynges /
 thestes, murthers, and man-
 slaughters, hit was ordeyned
 by the statute of Wyncestre,
 the fyfte chaptre, and in more
 ample wyse, the. xxviii. yere of
 E. the. iiii. the. xi. chaptre, that
 crye shulde be made, in all shires, hundredes mar-
 kettes, sayres, and all other places, where solempne
 assemblynge of people shulde be; to the ende that
 none shulde excuse hym throughe ignoraunce, that
 euery countreye from henseforth shulde in suche
 wyse be kepte, that forth with after robberies and
 felonyes were done fresshe sute shulde be made
 from towne to towne, and from countre to countre.
 And also if nede be, enquestes to be taken in tow-
 nes by the souerayne of the towne: and after in
 hundredes, fraunchises, and in shires, and other
 whyle in. ii. iii. or. iiii. shires, in case whan felonies
 are comynitted and done, in the marches of the
 shires, so that the mysdoers maye be atteynted:
 And if the countreys answer nat the bodyes of
 such mysdoers, the peyne shal be suche, that eche
 countre, that is to wytte, the people dwellynge in
 the countre shal answer for the robberies & bur-
 tes done: so that al the hundred, where suche rob-
 berye shal be done, with the fraunchises that be

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within the precincte of the same hundredes, shall
answere for the robberye done. And if the robberye
be done betwene. ii. hundredes, bothe the hundre-
des to gether with the franchisees that be withinne
the precincte of the sayd hundredes shall answe-
re therfore. And the countrey after the robberye and
felonye done, shall haue no longer tyme than. xl.
dayes: within the whiche space it behoueth them
to agree for the robbery, and mysdedes done, or els
they must answeere the bodies of the mysdoers.
And for the more suertie of the countre it is orde-
ned the thyrde chaptre folowyng, that the gates
of great walled townes shulde be shut from sonne
goynge downe to sonne rysynge. And that no man
in suburbe or foreyne parte of the towne lodge but
from noone tyll the nexte daye, excepte the ooste
wyll answeere for hym. And the baillyes of townes
shall euery weke, or at the leaste euery. xv. dayes
enquere of suche persons herbouring in suburbes,
and foreyne boroughes, and if they fynde any her-
bourers that receyue straungers in other maner, or
suspecious persones, or and if they fynde suche as
herbour folkes agaynst the peace, the bayllyes
shall punyssh them. And hit is commaunded by
the kynge that in townes frome henceforth the wat-
ches shulde be kepte as they were accustomed of
olde tyme: that is to saye, from the Ascencion day
tyll Michaelmas, in euery cite. vi. men at euery
gate, in euery borough. xii. men: in euery vyllage
entier. vi. men or. iiii. or lesse as the nombre of the
inhabitantes requireth: and they shall watche the
towne

towne continually all the nygbte, from sonne go-
ynge downe to sonne ryfynge. And if any straun-
ger paffe forbye them, to arrest hym tyll the mor-
nyng: and if he be nat founde suspeticious to lette
hym go quite: and if they fynde hym suspeticious
forthe with to delyuer hym to the sberiffe: and the
sberiffe without damage shall rescyue and safely
kepe hym tyll suche tyme that he in due maner
shall be delyueredde. And if they wyll nat suffre
them selfe to be arrested than to rayse sboute and
crye ypon them, and the watche men with all the
towne and townes nere ioynnyng aboute with
sboute and crye to pursue them from towne to
towne, tyll suche tyme they be taken and delyue-
red to the sberiffe, as is before sayde. And for the
arrestyng of suche straggers none to be encheisoned.
And the. iiii. Chaptre folowynge / hit is also com-
maunded, that the bygbe wayes from markette
townes to market townes shulde from henceforth
be enlarged, there as are wodde, bedges, or dyt-
ches, so that there be no dytche, sbubbes, or bus-
shes within. L. foote of eche syde of the bygbe
way, wherby a felon, whā he hath done a sbrowde
tourne, maye scape: but this estatute extendethe
nat vnto the greatte ookes and byches: And if
throughe the lorde of the soyles defaute (whiche
wylle nat cutte and caste downe suche dytches,
sbubbes, and busshes (after the fourme as is a-
fore sayde) robberyes are commytted and done,
the lorde shal answere therfore. And there be mur-
ther done, the lorde shall be reynted at the kynges

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pleasure. And if the lord be nat able to cut downe the shrubbes, the countre shall helpe him to do it.

And the kynge wyll that in his demayne landes and woddes, within forest and without, the bigge wayes shulde be enlarged, as is before sayde. And if hit be so that there be any Parke nere vnto the hygge waye, hit behoueth, that the lord dymynish be his parke vnto the largenesse of .L. fote nere of the hygge waye, as is afore sayde, or els to make suche a walle, dytche, or hedg, that the misdoers can nat passe nor retourne to do shrowde tournes.

Also hit is commaunded, that euery man shall haue armour in his house for the keepynge of the peace, accordynge as hit is of olde tyme lymytted, that is to saye euery man betwene .xv. yeres and lx. yeres, to be lymytted and sworne to haue barneys after the quantyte of his landes and goodes, that is to wytte, a man of .xv. li. lyuelode, and hauynge goodes to the value of .xl. marke, an habergynne, a salette, a speare, a sworde, and an horse. A man of .x. li. lyuelode, and hauynge goodes to the value of .xx. marke, an habergynne, a salette, a speare, and a sworde: A man of an .L. s. lyuelode, a doublette, a salette, a speare, and a sworde. A man of .xl. s. lyuelode, and aboue to the value of a .L. s. a speare, bowe, arowes, and a sworde.

And be that hath nat to the value of .xl. s. lyuelode, shall be sworne to haue faux gysarmes, a sworde, and other smalle weapons. And be that hath nat to the value of .xx. markes in goodes, a speare,

speare, a sworde, and other smalle weapons. And
all other that maye haue, shall haue bowes and
arowes. Out of the foreste and within the foreste
bowes and pillettis. And that the sayde armour
and weapons be seen and viewed euery yere twyse.
And in euery hundred and fraunchese to chose .iii.
constables to make the viewe of the sayd armour
and weapons: and the forsayde countables shall
presente before the Justices assygned (whan they
come in to the countre) the defautes of the armour
and weapons, the sutes of the townes, and of the
wayes: And also they shall present suche as lodge
strangers in vplandyll the townes, for whom they
wyll nat answere. And the Justices assigned shall
presente in euery parlement to the kynge the de-
fautes, whiche they haue founde, and the kynge
shall se a remedye. And that shereffes and baillies
within franchises and without, great or smalle,
whiche haue bailliwicke or forest in fee or in other
maner, take good hede from henseforth, that they
solowe the crie with the countre. And after as they
be, to haue hoise and barneis for that entent. And
if there be any that dothe the contrarye, the con-
stables shall presente theyr defautes to the Jus-
tices assygned, and the Justices shall after warde
presente them to the kynge, and the kynge shall se
hit remedied as is before layde. And the kynge,
for the honoure of holy church commandeth and
defendeth, that from henseforth no seizes nor mar-
kettes shall be kepte in churchyardes.

Also in the tyme of the same kinge Edward the

ii.iii.

ix.

fyfte, that made the statute of wyncbeſter the .xiiij.
yere of his reygne, there were articles made con-
teynynge the maner of inquiry, whan the ſayd ſta-
tute was kepte and whan nat: and who wolde ob-
ſerue it, and who wolde nat: where, howe, and by
whom robberies were done: and whether the ſhe-
ryffes answered the bodies of the yll doers: whe-
ther the gates of cites & townes were cloſed from
ſonne to ſonne: whether any herbozed ſtrangers in
ſubburbes and foreyne partes of townes whether
the bayllyes enquired thereof: howe the watche
was kepte: howe and where bygh wayes were en-
larged and where nat: whether all betwene. xv. &
lx. yere were ſwozne to kepe the pece: whether they
had armours and weapons in theyr houſes after
the ſtent of their landes and goodes: whether the
conſtables in due maner viewed the ſayd armours
or nat: and laſtely whether the ſheriffe, bayllyes,
and ſorciſters, ſolowed the ſhoutte and crye accor-
dynge to the ſoſeſayde ſtatute.

The ſeconde yere of .E. the. iii. the. vi. chapitre, it
is enacted that the ſayde ſtatute of wyncbeſtre,
with all other concernynge the peace, ſbulde in all
poyntes be obſerued and kept, and Juſtices aſſy-
gned haue power to punyſſe ſuche as diſobey and
go agaynſt the ſame ſtatute.

It is alſo ordeyned the. v. yere of Henry the. iiii.
that watche on the ſee cooſte ouer all the realme of
Englande, ſbulde be kepte with ſuche noumbre of
people, in places, ſourme/ and maner, as hit was
wonte to be in tymes paſte, and that in this caſe the
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the statute of wynebestre shulde be obserued and kepte. And that in the commissiōns of the peace from henceforth to be made, this article shulde be put: and the Justices of the peace haue power to make inquisitions in theyr cessiōns from tyme to tyme, and them that be found in default to punissh be after the tenure of the same statute.

Also hit is ordeyned and enacted the. vii. yere of the raygne of kyng Rycharde the seconde, the. vi. chaptre, that the statute of wynebestre shulde be obserued and kepte in all poyntes, and welle and bastylye putte in execution at the complaynte and pursuyte of anye that selethe hym selfe greued agaynst the tenure of the same. And to the ende that none frome henceforth shulde excuse hym selfe throughe ignorance, hit is accorded that euery sberysse of Englande, shall in his owne persone do proclayme the same statute. iiii. tymes in the yere, in euerye hundred of his bayllywyke, and by his bayllyes in euery markette, as welle within lyberties as without.

And hit is enacted and ordeyned. the. xxvj. yere of the reygne of the mooste noble kyng Edward the thyrde, the. xiii. chaptre, that if any marchant straunger or other that is robbed on the see, and the same goodes so robbed come in to any parties of Englande or other the kynges landes, wyll sue to recouer the sayde goodes, he shall be rescuyed to proue the said goodes to be his by his markes, carte, cokette, or els by good and loyall marchantes strangers or other, and vpon suche proffes the selfe
same

same goodes to be belyuered vnto the marchaunt,
without making of other sute at the cōmon lawe.

Thus endeth the statute of wynchestre, with
the other concernynge the same statute. Im-
pynted at London in Fletestrete in the
house of Thomas Bertbelet,
nere the Lundite, at
the signe of Lu-
crece.

Lum priuilegio a rege indulto.



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